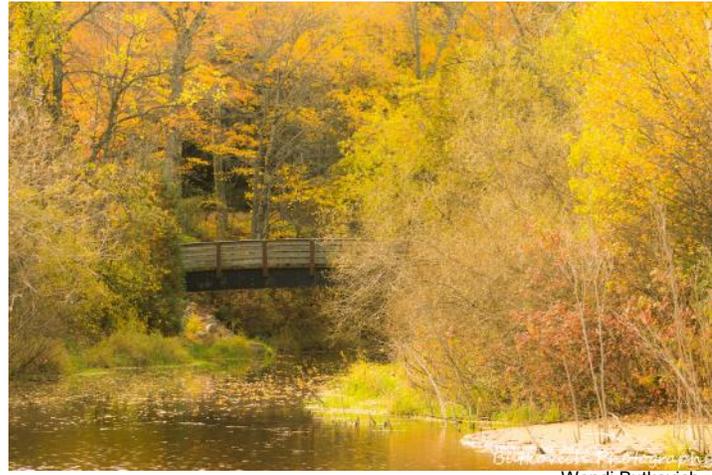


# Work In Progress, by Tracey Ludvik

Young oak  
shakes off last summer's  
spent leaves  
to blow in autumn's cool breeze  
braces for white coat  
bends to the force of January's storm,  
but does not break.  
Bathed in May rain  
sprouting neon buds  
along sturdier limbs.  
Young oak  
prays to luminaries  
takes on heavier loads  
pushes roots deep into loam and  
what remains of last year's harvest.



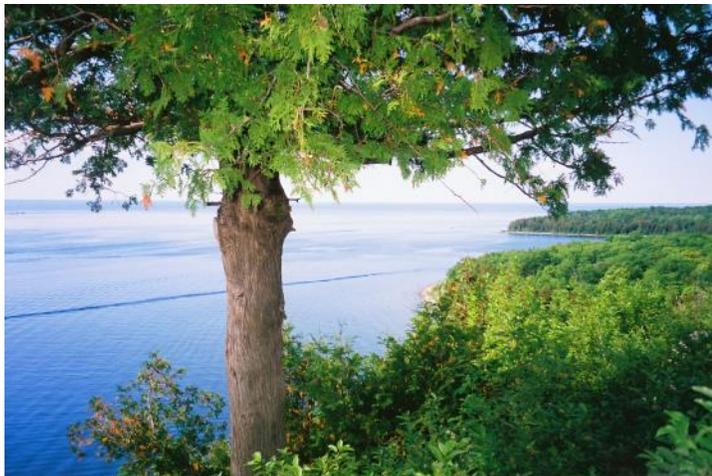
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